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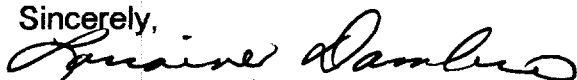
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I STRONGLY OPPOSE THE DRAFT M.O.U. being proposed by the FDA. In particular, I OBJECT to the definition of "inordinate amount" which restricts the availability and the right to obtain necessary compounded medications by limiting the number of prescriptions that can be shipped across state lines from specialized compounding pharmacies.

It took many years for me to be able to stabilize my health conditions by finding the exact medical compound necessary for me as an individual. I have tried several different times through the last five years to have large chain pharmacies and small Mom & Pop pharmacies order and prepare my prescription to no avail. Since it was an individualized compound they were not able or interested in filling my prescription. The only pharmacy that I have been able to order the compound from is located in Colorado while I live in Florida.

Please do not force those of us who medically require such compounds to lose the ability of choice in receiving them by passing this legislation. It would take several years before many of us would be able to obtain the correct compound and jeopardize our health while in the process. Listen to the voice of the people who use these compounds and leave us free to make the choice not restricted by more government restrictions.

Sincerely,



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